

LEXINGTON DIVISION OF POLICE  
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF

March 19, 2012

Chief Matthew Watson  
Salysersville Police Department  
PO Box 640  
Salysersville, Kentucky 41465

RE: Mutual Aid Procedure

Dear Chief Watson,

The Lexington Division of Police has enjoyed a cooperative working relationship with regional law enforcement agencies for many years. Traditionally, when an agency requests assistance from us, it is readily available and rendered without hesitation. I recognize that major emergencies and events could overwhelm our community and require the assistance of agencies such as yours. In that vein, the Lexington Division of Police would like to establish a Mutual Aid Procedure with the Salysersville Police Department. This agreement will ensure that our two agencies understand each other's capabilities and provide a framework for response.

The Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies requires our agency to establish and maintain mutual aid agreements as part of our continuing compliance with accreditation standards. We hope you will review this procedure and join us in this agreement.

If you have any questions about the language used in the attached agreement, please contact Lieutenant David Lyons at (859) 258-3650. Feel free to contact me personally if you would like to discuss this matter further.

Sincerely,

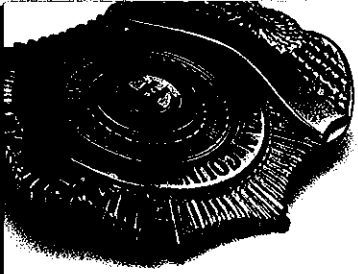
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Ronnie Bastin,  
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Attachments

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## Lexington Resources and Specialized Units

### Vehicles:

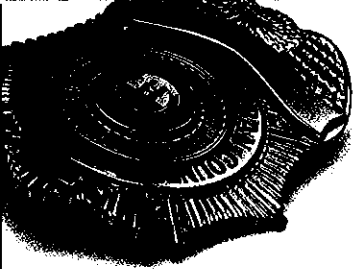
- All-Terrain Vehicles
- All Wheel Drive Vehicles (Explorer/Blazer)
- Evidence Collection Vehicle
- Mobile Command Posts
- Motorcycles

### Special Units:

- Canine Unit
- Collision Reconstruction Unit
- Emergency Response Unit (SWAT)
- Hostage Negotiation Unit
- Hazardous Devices Unit
- Mounted Unit

### Sworn Strength:

500+



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- 1) In the event of an emergency, the highest ranking officer of a law enforcement agency present at the site of an emergency, may request assistance from another law enforcement agency when the officer has established the need for additional manpower or equipment.
- 2) Unless otherwise agreed, the highest ranking officer of the responding agency present at the site of the emergency, may provide the aid and assistance requested, when in his/her opinion, the manpower and equipment is available.
- 3) If the responding agency agrees to provide mutual aid, all personnel of the responding agency shall report to and shall work under the direction and supervision of the highest ranking officer of the responding agency who is present at the site of the emergency.
- 4) All personnel and equipment may be recalled by the highest ranking on site officer of the responding agency when the officer determines that the emergency no longer exists, the situation is beyond the capabilities of the responding agency, or the personnel and equipment are needed by the responding agency.
- 5) Each law enforcement agency shall have primary responsibility for the investigation of offenses occurring within their jurisdictional boundaries; however, any agency may request the assistance of another agency.
- 6) Reimbursement for services and equipment, if any, will be determined based on the size and duration of the response.
- 7) Communications between agencies will be conducted on the requesting agency's police radio frequency, if possible. Users of this frequency will use "plain language" and identify themselves with agency name and unit number when contacting other agencies.
- 8) The Salyersville Police Department and the Lexington Division of Police shall each be liable only for the actions of its employees as required by law.

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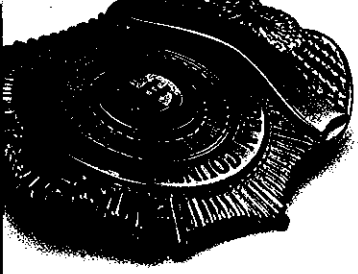
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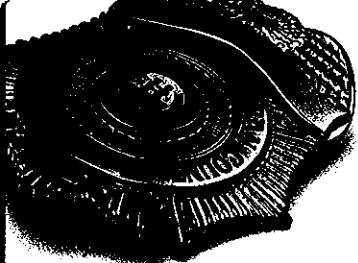
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